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detail in giving personal data; Luis Augusto Cuervo, who published the *Archivo de D. Rufino Cuervo*, and in the style of Lenotre and Mason, has written brilliant pages on Bolívar; Fabio Lozano y Lozano, who in original, graceful style wrote his valuable work, *El Maestro del Libertador* and various other biographical studies; Roberto Cortazar; Álvaro Uricoechea; Gabriel Porras Troconis; B. Matos Hurtado; Arturo Quijano; E. Otero D'Acosta; and others—all engrossed in unearthing relics of the past and renewing the glories of our country, with the motto of the Academy ever before them: *Veritas ante omnia*.

Ruben Darío in his charming, flowery language bequeathed us this phrase: "Colombia is the land of verses and of emeralds." We pray the muses that the serene fountains of Colombia's inspiration and learning may be as exhaustless as are the precious mines which reach far down beneath the soil of our country!

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Two publications of the Escuela Normal de Costa Rica, bearing the stamp of the Imprenta Nacional have some historical interest. In the first, Don Cleto González Víquez, an ex-president of the republic, puts